

1 **REMARKS**

2 Reconsideration of the application in view of the above amendments and the following
3 remarks is respectfully requested.

4 Claims 1,3,4,6,8,1, 21-32 are pending in this application. Claims12 and 31 (second
5 occurrence) have been amended as suggested by examiner.

6 The office action states that Claims 1,3,4,6,8,1, 21-32 are rejected under Section 35
7 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over McLaughlin , et al. (US 6,501,779) in view of
8 Mattaway , et al. (US 6,275,490).

9 McLaughlin deals with a system for communicating with the deaf, and is concerned with
10 text, as is specified in the abstract, reproduced below:

11 "A communication system allows a remote user to access a web site across a PSTN using
12 a conventional text device such as a TTY device. The web site is configured with text, menu
13 options, and communication transfer capabilities as may be found in an automated telephone
14 service. The system includes a text gateway module in electrical communication with the text
15 device. The text gateway module receives text data generated by the text device and directs the
16 text data to a text/web translator. The web/text translator converts the text data into web data
17 suitable for use by a web site and server. The web/text translator transmits the web data to a web
18 gateway module that directs the web data to a specified web site. The web/text translator further
19 receives from the web gateway module web data generated by the web site. The web/text
20 translator converts the web data to text data which is readable by the text device. The text data is
21 then transmitted to the text gateway module and then passed to the text device. The web/text
22 translator converts text, graphical icons, menu options, and communication links within a web
23 site into equivalent forms of text data. A remote deaf user may read and select different options
24 that previously were available only in a automated telephone service."

25 McLaughlin does not mention or suggest in his disclosure that his method be applied to
26 voice communications, other than to suggest that a voice may be turned into text for delivery to a
27 deaf person. One of skill in the art of internet voice communications would not then combine
28 McLaughlin with any other reference and hence McLaughlin may not be used in a Section 35
29 U.S.C. 103(a) rejection.

McLaughlin mentions a graphical icons [col.8, line 37] but they are merely used for web navigation and do not perform the voice communication function of the present invention (ie. activate a program to launch a VOIP session and direct the voice modem to dial and connect to a POTS Phone).

Examiner states, in error, that McLaughlin discloses a voice modem at col. 1 lines 15-28. McLaughlin defines modem in this section as "A modem accepts digital data and modulates it into a form suitable for transmission over the PSTN such that a corresponding receiving modem may demodulate the signal back into the original digital data."

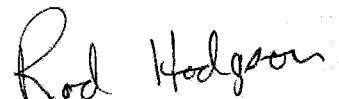
Examiner states on p 4 item 10 of the office action, in error, that McLaughlin discloses "The method of claim 8 wherein a single click on an ad contained in the web page connects a telephone call." The word "advertised" appears in the sentence "For example, a service entity may rent a phone number to the ABC Company. In other words, the phone number rings to the service entity, but the number is advertised as belonging to the ABC Company." There is no suggestion to click on an ad. This is the only example turned up in a search of both the prior art documents cited for "ad" or "advert". Thus, neither reference cited mentions or suggests "a single click on an ad"

Applicant states that the first of the two prior art references combined should not be considered a prior art reference in the art of voice communication, and as such the present application is patentable under Section 35 U.S.C. 103(a) .

No additional fee is required. The required fees and any insufficiency or overage (except issue fees) may be debited or credited to deposit account 08/2240. A signed deposit account authorization is on file for this case.

On the basis of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration of this application and its early allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully,



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